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Maxine Kumin Named New Consultant in Poetry

Maxine Kumin, whose book *Up Country* won the 1973 Pulitzer Prize for poetry, will become the 25th consultant in poetry in English to the Library of Congress. She will succeed the incumbent consultant, William Meredith, next January. In announcing the appointment, Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin indicated that Mr. Meredith has agreed to serve as consultant until December and will participate in the fall 1980 literary programs.

Maxine Kumin was born in Philadelphia, Pa., and received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Radcliffe College in 1946 and 1948 respectively. She is married to consulting engineer Victor Kumin and has three children.

The new consultant is a novelist as well as a poet. Of her work Jane Howard wrote in the *New York Times Book Review* (June 23, 1974), "In both verse and prose she brings tastes, sounds, textures, smells and the look of things to vivid life." Writing of Mrs. Kumin's novel *The Designated Heir* (1974), Victor Howes in the *Christian Science Monitor* (July 17, 1974) called her fiction "the harvest of the quiet eye." Her other novels are *The Abduction* (1971), *The Passions of Uxport* (1968), and *Through Dooms of Love* (1965). She is the author of a number of children's books, the most recent of which is *What Color Is Caesar?*

The poems in her collection *The Retrieval System* (1978) are called by Victor Howes "the poems of a survivor. . . . (Their) theme is 'how to carry on' and though Maxine Kumin finds no easy answers she demonstrates clearly the grit that brings her through" (*Christian Science Monitor*, July 26, 1978). M. B. Ferrari wrote in *America* (February 28, 1976) that Mrs. Kumin's *House, Bridge, Fountain, Gate* "will not dissappoint those who enjoy solid poetry that values life despite its pain." According to another critic, the poems in *Up Country* (1972) "sing with the music of the middle voice, sing of reality beheld with imagination." Her other books of poetry are *The Nightmare Factory* (1970), *The Privilege* (1965), and *Halfway* (1961). *To Make a Prairie: Essays on Poets, Poetry and Country Living* was published in 1980.

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Mrs. Kumin's awards and grants, in addition to her Pulitzer Prize for *Up Country*, include an American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters Award (1980), a Radcliffe College Alumnae Recognition Award (1978), First Prize in the 1976 Borestone Mountain Awards, *Poetry* Magazine's annual Eunice Tietjens Memorial Prize (1972), a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship (1967-68), and appointment as a Scholar, Radcliffe Institute for Independent Study (1961-63).

In 1976 Centre College, Danville, Ky., awarded her the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters. The following year Davis and Elkins College, Elkins, W. Va., awarded her the same degree. She has served as Jonathan Bingham Professor, University of Louisville, Ky. (1980), Visiting Lecturer at Princeton University (1977, 1979), Woodrow Wilson Visting Fellow (1979-80), Carolyn Wilkerson Bell Visiting Scholar, Randolph-Macon Woman's College (1978), Fannie Hurst Professor of Literature, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo. (1977) and Brandeis University (1975), Adjunct Professor of Writing, Columbia University (1975), Staff Member, Bread Loaf Writers' Conference, Vermont (1969-71, 1973, 1975, 1977).

The Library's chair of poetry was established in 1936 when the late Archer M. Huntington provided an initial endowment for its maintenance. The Librarian of Congress appoints the consultant, who advises the Library on its public literary programs, on the acquisitions of literary material, and on matters relating to poetry and literature. Most of the consultants have furthered the development of the Library's archive of recorded literature by arranging for poets to record readings of their own work in the Library's laboratories, and in recent years consultants have usually presided at public literary programs in the Library. It has become customary for each consultant to open his or her term with a reading from his or her own work, and to close it with a public lecture.

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JMMB Dedication Attracts Dignitaries

A distinguished gathering of Members of Congress and guests of the Architect of the Capitol joined Library officials on Thursday, April 24, for the dedication of the James Madison Memorial Building. In handing over the symbolic key to the building to Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin, Architect of the Capitol George M. White offered his thanks to those in Congress, on the Library staff, to the architects and artists, the builders and artisans who had seen the project through to near completion. The first Library units began moving into the Building at the end of the year and other moves will take place over the next year as finishing touches are put on offices, reading rooms, and collection facilities in the 1,500,000-square-foot building.

Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin and Speaker of the House Thomas P. O'Neill offer toasts on the occasion of the opening of Madison Memorial Hall and the first public viewing of Walker Hancock's statue of Madison.

In accepting the building, Dr. Boorstin called the occasion "happy and historic." He added, "James Madison and his mentor and intellectual companion, Thomas Jefferson, joined by their New England colleague, John Adams, are nodding approval. The

Listening while Senator Harry F. Byrd addresses those present for the dedication are (left to right) Senator Howard W. Cannon, Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill, The Librarian, Representative John Brademas, Albert H. Swanke of associate architects Dewitt, Poor, and Shelton, Architect of the Capitol George M. White, Senator Claiborne Pell, Representative Lucien N. Nedzi, and the Reverend James David Ford.

The Honorable John J. Rhodes, House of Representatives Minority Leader, greets The Librarian and Mrs. Boorstin.

Pictured at the dedication with The Librarian (on the right) are Gilbert Gude, Director of the Congressional Research Service, and Congressman Lucien N. Nedzi.

Cutting the ribbon for the opening of Madison Memorial Hall are Representative Lucien N. Nedzi, Senator Harry F. Byrd, Representative John J. Rhodes, Senator Howard W. Cannon, Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill, Librarian Daniel J. Boorstin, and Architect of the Capitol George M. White.

Library of Congress, in which they felt so great a personal and patriotic interest, has flourished even beyond their far-sighted expectations." The building dedication took place on the 180th anniversary of the date on which President John Adams signed into law the act creating the Library.

Senator Harry F. Byrd, Jr., of Virginia, who spoke on "James Madison—The Man," described how fitting it was to put Madison's name on the new Library

Associate Librarian for National Programs Carol A. Nemeyer greets former Librarian of Congress and Mrs. L. Quincy Mumford.

building, "for the Library of Congress was in the first instance an idea in the mind of Madison, and it was he who saw to its rebuilding when it had been destroyed." Madison was first charged by the Continental Congress in 1783 with the task of compiling "a list of books proper for the use of Congress" and Madison as President arranged for the purchase of Jefferson's library to replace the collections destroyed when the British burned the Capitol during the War of 1812. Senator Byrd added, "The James Madison Memorial Building represents an overdue tribute to the Father of the Constitution, the leader of the United States through one of its darkest hours, a man who in the truest sense devoted his whole life to his country."

Concluding speakers were Senator Claiborne Pell, chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library, and Representative Lucien N. Nedzi, who serves as vice chairman. Both speakers paid tribute to the Library and to those in Congress who had played an instrumental role in the planning and construction of the Madison Building. Mr. Nedzi viewed the occasion, and what it symbolized, as a tribute to the permanence of institutions. He characterized the Library's relationship to Congress as one in which the Congress is both constituent and patron.

Following the dedication, the speakers were joined for a ribbon-cutting ceremony in Madison Memorial Hall by Speaker of the House of Representative Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., who is also chairman of the House Office Building Commission; Senator J. Bennett Johnston, chairman of the Senate Office Building Commission; former Librarian of Congress L. Quincy Mumford; and members of the Joint Committee on the Library.

The main entrance to the new building is on Independence Ave. S.E. between First and Second Streets. It is open from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. weekdays and 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekends and holidays. Hours of opening for other entrances and other public facilities in the building will be announced in a future issue of the LC *Information bulletin.*

Copyright Infringement Suit Terminated

Basic Books, Inc. v. Gnomon Corp., the first copyright infringement action against a commercial photocopying concern under section 107 of the Copyright Act, the fair use provision, was terminated on March 20 with a court order and final judgment consented to by all parties. (See the March 21, 1980, issue of the *Information Bulletin*, p. 95.)

In the consent decree, Judge Warren Eginton of the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut enjoined the defendants' infringing photocopying activities and presented a model for proper practice in photocopying copyrighted works consistent with the copyright law.

Seven publishers brought this action in February 1980 to stop defendants Gnomon Corp. and its president from reproducing and distributing without permission copyrighted material from books and periodicals and advertising these services. Gnomon Corp. owns photocopying stores near major universities in five northeastern cities.

The Association of American Publishers (AAP), which supported and coordinated this lawsuit, issued a statement of its belief that the decree secures the copyright interests of publishers and authors and also serves legitimate educational interests.

In general, the defendants were permanently enjoined from making multiple copies of any part of copyrighted published works and from selling or distributing even one copy from a set of multiple copies, except in the manner prescribed by the court.

The Gnomon Corp. was also enjoined from soliciting business for copying in violation of the judgment.

The court set forth in the order the legal requirements for the defendants' future photocopying activities. Gnomon Corp. may make or distribute copies of copyrighted works if it obtains authorization or permission directly from the copyright owner.

Likewise, Gnomon Corp. is within the law if the copies are made from the original written document bearing the name of the copyright owner and evidencing his permission, provided that Gnomon Corp. has no reasonable ground for doubting the authenticity of the permission, provided that the copyright notice is used when the permission is conditioned upon use of the notice, and provided that Gnomon keeps for one year the original written document evidencing permission.

The court said Gnomon Corp. may also make copies at the request of a faculty member of a nonprofit educational institution who certifies that the copies are in full compliance with the "Agreement on Guidelines for Classroom Copying in Not-For-Profit Educational Institutions With Respect to Books and Periodicals"; however, this procedure for complying with the law may be used only if Gnomon Corp. has no reasonable grounds for doubting the authority of the request, the position of the requesting person, or that the Agreement on Guidelines is being met and if Gnomon Corp. keeps the certifications for one year.

In its statement about the judgment, AAP announced that it will continue to monitor photocopying activities by other commercial copiers, by not-for-profit institutions, and by large for-profit corporations and their in-house research libraries and information services.

Don Stover Concert Set for Thursday, June 12

Banjo player, guitarist, singer, and raconteur Don Stover will perform on the Neptune Plaza on Thursday, June 12, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. in the second outdoor concert of the American Folklife Center's 1980 series.

Born in the coal mining town of Ameagle, W. Va., Mr. Stover learned to play clawhammer and drop-thumb style banjo as a child from his parents. He taught himself three-finger banjo after hearing Earl Scruggs on the radio, getting some advice on the technique from a traveling salesman who had seen Scruggs perform. During his four years of working in the mines, a job his father had before him, he began playing with the Coal River Valley Boys. He then moved to Boston, Mass., with Bea and Everett Lilly where they performed at Boston's Hillbilly Ranch for 18 years. Known for his various banjo playing styles, powerful singing voice, and bluesy guitar work, Mr. Stover has cut records with Doc Watson, the Lilly Brothers, and his own group, the White Oak Mountain Boys. He now lives in southern Maryland.

Library of Congress Publications

Ongoing Publications

FLC Newsletter. ISSN 0014-5939. No. 114. March 1980. (9 p.) Free upon request from the Federal Library Committee, Library of Congress, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20540.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Agent Orange Dioxin: TCDD. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB 79-10). December 1979. (9 p.) Compiled by Trellis C. Wright, this reference aid provides a systematic approach to the recent literature on TCDD, "one of seventy toxic chemical compounds called dioxins. An impurity or contaminant formed . . . during the manufacture of certain phenoxy herbicides, TCDD has been denounced as having carcinogenic, mutagenic, and teratogenic effects on humans (i.e., causing cancer, genetic mutations, and anomalies of formation, respectively). . . . U.S. military forces sprayed Agent Orange (a 50:50 mixture of the butyl esters of 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T) in Vietnam to defoliate and kill jungle vegetation." Copies may be obtained free on request from the Reference Section, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540. Copies have also been provided to the Superintendent of Documents for distribution to depository libraries.

MARC Serials Editing Guide. 2nd CONSER Edition. January/February 1980 loose-leaf update. The base volume (507 p.) of this loose-leaf service is available from the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541, for $20. Updates for 1979 are $50 and a subscription to 1980 updates distributed bimonthly is $40.

National Union Catalog. ISSN 0028-0348. December 1979. (1,100 p.). Compiled by the Library of Congress with the cooperation of the Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association. For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $1,150 for the nine monthly issues, three quarterly cumulations, and an annual cumulation.

APPENDIX

Reports on the Fifth Assembly of State Librarians
Washington, D.C., April 16-18, 1980

[**Editor's Note:** The following reports were prepared by John Chin, Edward Malone, and Charles V. Stanhope of the Exchange and Gift Division and Helen Dalrymple, Mary C. Lethbridge, Joyce Miller, and John Sullivan of the Information Office.]

Chief librarians or their assistants from 39 states, the District of Columbia, and the Virgin Islands met at the Library of Congress for two and a half days in mid-April for the Fifth Assembly of State Librarians. Their program was made possible by the generous support of the Council on Library Resources, Inc.

Associate Librarian for National Programs Carol A. Nemeyer set the tone and spirit of cooperation for the assembly by her words of welcome, and was joined in her greetings by Robert Zich of the Planning Office, who, along with Ellen Zabel Hahn, chief of the General Reading Rooms Division, and Nathan Einhorn, chief of the Exchange and Gift Division, made up the Fifth Assembly Planning Group.

Adoreen M. McCormick, legislative liaison officer in the Library of Congress, described the Library's relationship to the Congress by reviewing the various committees that have oversight in such matters as appropriations and Government documents. Sources of up-to-date information on legislative matters affecting the Library, she said, include the LC *Information Bulletin* and ALA's Washington office newsletter. She also reported that there has been no change in the status of the legislative review of proposals to share the Library's SCORPIO data bases.

Betty E. Callaham of South Carolina, Ruth S. Itamura of Hawaii, and Barbara Williams of Kentucky gather over coffee before the opening of the Fifth Assembly of State Librarians.

Session I
Framework for Cooperative Networking

National and International Network Development

Henriette D. Avram, director of the Library of Congress Network Development Office, who chaired Session I, introduced the first set of speakers by describing the three most important cooperative efforts underway to improve resource sharing through technology—the Network Advisory Committee (NAC), the Bibliographic Service Development Program of the Council on Library Resources, Inc., and the evolving international MARC network. She briefly described all three, looking particularly at the accomplishments of NAC—the planning papers prepared and the objectives met. She said that the next major topic of discussion for NAC will be governance.

J. Gary Nichols of Maine, Henry C. Chang of the Virgin Islands, and Francis X. Scannell of Michigan are pictured here in the Whittall Pavilion on Wednesday morning, April 16.

Anne Marie Falsone of the Colorado State Library discussed the impact of the Network Advisory Committee on state libraries. She questioned the make-up of the committee and whether the interests of state libraries were served by association representatives on NAC whose tenure on the committee was frequently shorter than that of representatives of utilities and service centers. She also observed that NAC should address the problems of the development of a nationwide data base now and not after the fact, and of whether the developers of the data base should be those who will ultimately be selling it.

STAFF NEWS

Former Staff Member Dies

Scipio Morse, former supply clerk in the Central Services Section, died on Thursday, April 24, at Georgetown University Hospital of cardiac arrest. Funeral services were held on April 29 at Walker Memorial Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. Mr. Morse retired from the Library on February 28, 1969, after more than 26 years of service to the Federal Government.

Born in Aberdeen, N.C., Mr. Morse entered Federal service in 1942. He worked first for the National Archives and then in 1943 began working for the Library of Congress as a mimeograph machine operator in the former Supply Office. He subsequently became storekeeper in the same division. In 1952 he transferred to the Buildings and Grounds Division in the same capacity. In 1953, he was promoted to supply clerk in the Procurement and Supply Section. Along with other personnel of the supply unit, he transferred to the Central Services Section of the Office of the Secretary on January 27, 1969, as a result of a reorganization in the Administrative Department.

During his long service as a storekeeper and supply clerk, Mr. Morse became well known throughout the Library. He dispensed office supplies and stationery to hundreds of "customers" over the many years he devoted to this occupation. He never failed to be helpful and cooperative, and he always had a pleasant word or a humorous bit of practical advice for those who called upon him for service. A good "business man," he knew his stock thoroughly and could devise ways to meet unexpected emergencies.

Mr. Morse is survived by a wife, Nellie, and a son, Charles.

Ann Jefferson Earns 20-Year Pin

Ann Jefferson, editorial assistant, Composing Unit, Printing and Processing Section, Central Services Division, was presented with a 20-year Federal Service Award pin on April 4 by Harold R. Hooper, assistant chief, Central Services Division.

A native of Montpelier, Va., she began her Federal career as clerk-typist in the former Cyrillic Bibliographic Project on November 23, 1959. She resigned from the Library in June 1964 but returned to Library service in November of that year.

Open House
All Staff Members are cordially invited to celebrate the opening of the James Madison Memorial Building
Wednesday, May 28
First Floor
noon to 2 o'clock

Entertainment on Independence Plaza

Staff members who wish to attend events during their normal working hours should consult their supervisors.

On November 7, 1966, she transferred to the Serial Record Division. She was transferred and promoted to her present position February 19, 1973.

Finance Your Future: Buy Bonds!

During May the Library of Congress will join other Federal Agencies in the 1980 Savings Bond Campaign. Lloyd A. Pauls, equal opportunity investigator in the Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance Office, has been named Library of Congress vice chairman of the "Take Stock in America" Campaign.

Lloyd Pauls, Library vice chairman for the 1980 Bond Drive, is shown with Pete Rose at the Government-wide rally.

The theme of this year's bond drive, which got underway on April 9 at the Government-wide rally, is "Finance Your Future".

Within the next few weeks each staff member will be visited by a keyworker, who will provide information about Savings Bonds, explain the importance of the bond program, and offer the opportunity to participate on a voluntary basis.

Staff members are reminded that they may participate in this important program through the convenience of the payroll savings plan. It is hoped that staff members will give this plan full consideration.

Departmental keyworkers for this year's bond drive are Arthur J. Lieb, Office of The Librarian; Cicily P. Osteen, Office of the Associate Librarian for Management; Arnie Bellefontaine, Office of the Associate Librarian for National Programs; Kathleen M. Christensen, Congressional Research Services; Marsha Kessler, Copyright Office; Clifton Brown, Law Library; Paul Edlund, Processing Services; and Donald H. Bonham, Research Services.

News from Copyright

The Copyright Office continued educating groups with specialized information needs during February, March, and April by sending representatives to deliver speeches.

Several public broadcasting stations requested Copyright Office speakers during this period. **Victor Marton,** supervisor of the Information Unit, Information and Publications Section, Information and Reference Division, spoke at Children's TV International in Washington, D.C., on February 21. He explained to the creators of programs for public broadcasting their obligations when using copyrighted material.

WCET-TV, a public broadcasting television station in Cincinnati, Ohio, sponsored a seminar on April 30 for educators and media specialists and invited **Marybeth Peters,** chief of the Information and Reference Division, to speak on copyright. Her presentation was videotaped for later broadcast in the metropolitan area.

Kevin Maricle, attorney-adviser in the Office of the General Counsel, addressed National Public Radio at the 1980 Public Radio Conference held in Kansas City, Mo., on March 18 and 19. These producers of public radio programs wanted to learn about copyright from the points of view of both users and proprietors.

A five-minute program entitled "Scratching the Surface" produced by Channel 45 in Baltimore, Md., featured an interview with **Deane Heenan,** senior information specialist in the Information Unit, Information and Publications Section, Information and Reference Division, taped on February 13. It was aired several times as a filler among other programs. On February 8, **Harriet Oler,** senior attorney-adviser in the Office of the General Counsel, lectured a copyright law class at the Cornell University law school in Ithaca, N.Y., on the role of the Copyright Office in administering the copyright law.

Charlotte Givens, attorney-adviser in the Performing Arts Section, Examining Division, spoke twice at the University of the District of Columbia during this period, once in February to an entertainment law class and again in April to a class called "The Business of Music."

A class in the music administration program at the Shenandoah Valley College and Conservatory of Music in Winchester, Va., heard **Marilyn Garst,** a senior copyright examiner in the Performing Arts Section, Examining Division, speak on April 15 about copyright registration procedures and the interaction between the Copyright Office and music industry.

Associations representing special librarians sought information on copyright as it pertains to the specialized needs of their patrons. **Marybeth Peters** addressed the Music Library Association at its annual meeting in San Antonio, Tex., on March 1.

When the Association of Architecture School Librarians held its annual meeting in San Antonio, **Robert Stevens,** chief of the Cataloging Division, explained to members their obligations under the Copyright Act when using copyrighted works on slides.

Staff Activities

Erik Barnouw, chief of the Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division, gave a talk on

On Saturday, May 10 in celebration of **Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week Festival,** the Affirmative Action Office will sponsor an exhibit on resources at the Library of Congress for study of Asian Americans and Pacific Island Americans and on the Library's affirmative action and women's programs. Held at the Sylvan Theater on the Washington Monument Grounds from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., the festival will also include arts and crafts, demonstrations, and performances. There is no charge for admission. For further information, contact Helen Poe in the Descriptive Cataloging Division on ext. 75242.

"Film and Magic" at the annual meeting of the New York Library Club on April 15. The conference was held at the Players Club in New York City.

The Library and the American Film Institute were co-hosts of an April 21-23 meeting, which Mr. Barnouw attended, on the problems of color film preservation. In attendance were representatives from 28 organizations including British, Canadian, East German, and Russian film archives.

Alice Birney, subject cataloger in theater and English literature, contributed a paper to a seminar session on Shakespearean Stage History at the annual meeting of the Shakespeare Association of America on April 4 in Cambridge, Mass. The essay analyzed theater reviews in recent issues of *Shakespeare Survey* and evaluated their contributions to stage history.

John Y. Cole, executive director of The Center for the Book, was the keynote speaker on April 23 at a Missouri Library Association workshop in Columbia. His talk was on "The Book Is Back: Reading Promotion Among Librarians." He discussed the activities of the Center for the Book, emphasizing project ideas that might be tried at the community level, particularly ways that libraries might use television and radio to promote reading. Before his talk, Mr. Cole was interviewed by WOMO-TV in Columbia.

Alan Fern, director for special collections, Research Services, gave an illustrated lecture on "The Printmaker and Book Illustration" at the Toledo Museum of Art on April 27. This was the last in a series of lectures sponsored by the museum on the graphic arts. Previous speakers included Harold Joachim of the Art Institute of Chicago, Richard S. Field of Yale University, and lithographic printer Ken Tyler.

Carol A. Nemeyer, Associate Librarian for National Programs, was recently elected to serve a three-year term as an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Committee Z39 councilor. This ANSI committee is concerned with library and information science and related publishing practices.

Donald G. Shomette, visual information specialist, Central Services Division, presented a paper at the 18th Annual Spring Symposium on Maryland Archaeology in Annapolis, Md., on April 19. The conference was sponsored by the Archaeological Society of Maryland. Entitled "The Patuxent River: Submerged Cultural Resource Survey," the work documents two seasons of underwater archaeological research and the evaluation of numerous historic and prehistoric archaeological sites beneath and along the banks of Maryland's Patuxent River. Funded by a grant from the Maryland Historical Trust, the project is being directed by Mr. Shomette and will begin its third season in June.

On April 24, **Paul G. Sifton,** specialist in early American history, Manuscript Division, spoke on the provenance of the Thomas Jefferson Papers to a meeting of the Washington Area Chapter of the Manuscript Society in the Woodrow Wilson Room. A somewhat different version of the talk was presented to the Society of American Archivists' panel on Revolutionary Age Material and Modern Methods on October 1, 1976. A printed version appeared in *American Archivist* (Vol. 40, No. 1. January 1977) and as the provenance essay in *The Index to the Thomas Jefferson Papers,* published by the Library of Congress in 1976.

The Library will observe **Memorial Day on Monday May 26.** All reading rooms and study facilities will be closed, except the Congressional Reading Room, which will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Sunday, May 25, the Library will provide its usual Sunday service.

The principal exhibit halls in the Library of Congress Building will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. on both May 25 and 26.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Rebecca Guenther, cataloger, GS-9, Share Cat, 91061; Kim Gwynn, reference files assistant (trainee), GS-3, CRS L, 00158; Franklin Haynes, collections maintenance worker, WG-4, Col Mgmt, 90931; Deborah Johnson, editorial assistant, GS-5, CRS EPW, 00117; Garland McElveen, deck attendant (trainee), GS-3, Ser, G103A; Deborah Sorrentino, senior specialist secretary, GS-5, CRS S, 00033; Anthony Wilson, collections maintenance worker, WG-4, Col Mgmt.

Temporary Appointments: Mark Allen, master files assistant, GS-3, CRS L, 00105; David Bean, photocopy assistant-messenger, GS-3, CRS MAS, NP; Jeffrey Bieber, clerk, GS-4, CRS C, 00121; Melanie Dalyai, clerk, GS-2, CRS C, 00121; Richard McNair, clerk, GS-4, CRS C, 00121.

Reappointment: Randall Fosner, processing assistant, GS-5, Ord, 91117.

Temporary Reappointment: Norman A. Middleton, Jr., master files assistant, GS-3, CRS L, 00150.

Promotions: Angela Beale, MARC Ed, to clerk-typist, GS-4, CDS, 00207; Johnnie Martin, Cop Acq & Proc, to clerk-typist, GS-4, CDS, 00207; Dorothy Watson, Cop Acq & Proc, to clerk-typist, GS-4, CDS, 00207.

Transfer: Kenneth Cockrell, Ser, to reference clerk, GS-3, CRS A, 00157.

Resignations: Arthur Fulliero, Loan; Eileen Glickstein, Desc Cat; William Renfro, CRS F; Dale Shirachi, CRS F; Mary Skinner, Cat Publ; Horace Smith, CDS; George Strauch, E&G; Stephen Veltri, CRS A; Barry Weyburn, Subj Cat; Louise Wyche, Desc Cat.

The Graduate School of the U.S. Department of Argiculture is offering a variety of courses this summer. Classes range in scope from leisure topics such as outdoor sketching and hot-air ballooning to improving job skills through courses on secretarial and computer science. Interested? For additional information, call 447-4419.

Fifth Assembly participants were joined by Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin (standing) at a luncheon colloquy on April 16. Also present at Dr. Boorstin's table were (left to right) Ethel S. Crockett of California, Anne Marie Falsone of Colorado, Richard B. Engen of Alaska, and Associate Librarian for National Programs Carol A. Nemeyer.

David C. Hartmann of the Library's Network Development Office discussed the technical problems of nationwide networking, which he defined as resource sharing among systems. The objective now is to achieve intercomputer communications, he said, and the three issues to be addressed are the problems of standards, the development of protocols as a means of communication, and network design (literally, the linking of computers).

Mrs. Avram discussed international MARC, an objective which was prompted by the proliferation of national MARC formats and has evolved from meetings, first, of the Conference of Directors of National Libraries in the mid-1970s and, subsequently, of the International MARC Network Steering Committee to address problems of the compatibility of different cataloging codes. The establishment of an international MARC office and a technical center (see the LC *Information Bulletin* for December 14, 1979, pp. 519-520) would centralize the work on the evolving international network.

The final speaker in this part of the program was Roderick G. Swartz, Washington state librarian, who discussed the impact of CLR's Bibliographic Service Development Program on state libraries. He looked at three program goals—access to bibliographic data, authority programs, and the name authority structure—and concluded by summarizing the benefits for state libraries of resource sharing. A question-and-answer period followed.

Automation Overview

Fred Croxton, director of the Library of Congress Automated Systems Office (ASO), described the objectives of the Library's automation activities to support ongoing programs and to develop new capabilities. He discussed the continuing "evolution or revolution" in computerized activities, especially as the Library develops automation in order to perform the information service job more effectively. The automation activities of the Library comprise seven to eight percent of its budget, and are administered by the Committee on Automation Planning, which selects, for the greatest good of the Library, the tasks on which ASO will concentrate. He highlighted the organizational components of ASO as well as the Library's hardware environment.

Jeanne Isacco, head, User Support Section, ASO, in her presentation of the ways in which the Library uses automation to support services to other libraries, listed the numerous products of the Library's automated systems, after briefly describing the development of ASO. She first discussed the products of the Library of Congress On-Line Information System (LOCIS), which is the continuing refinement of the MUMS and SCORPIO systems. Those products include, among others, *Name Headings with References, Symbols of American Libraries,* MARC Tape Distribution, MARC Retrievers, CRS catalogs, and the *Near East National Union List,* a forthcoming publication which is entirely made possible by Library of Congress automation activities. She concluded with a description of products of other Library systems such as subject heading output, NLS/BPH catalogs, reading room catalogs, and the index to the *Monthly Checklist of State Publications.*

Session II
Selecting and Acquiring Materials

The second session, on Wednesday afternoon, moderated by Frank McGowan, addressed "Selecting

and Acquiring Materials." John Finzi described the organization and functions of the Library's Collections Development Office, which he heads. The office, which functions as a policy setting and coordinating body, is involved with all aspects of the collections: collections policies, recommending (through 150 recommending officers), acquisitions, selection, priorities, bibliographic control, space and storage, service, and preservation.

Mr. Finzi emphasized the Library's need to respond to Congress, the scholarly public, and academic libraries and the need for us to coordinate with other libraries, especially through the Research Libraries Acquisitions and Collections Development Group, through which national coverage can be shared. If no other research library is able or willing to collect certain research material, the Library of Congress will. The Library is, however, redefining its collections policies to screen out materials of no research value, using criteria based on use, space available, and preservation needs.

Alma Mather, head of the Federal Documents Section of the Exchange and Gift Division, discussed the Library's receipt of Federal documents—by law, by purchase (we buy NTIS publications), through the Documents Expediter, and through the Federal Advisory Commission Act. Mrs. Mather, a selections officer, reviews all monographs for acquisition and cataloging, and the Library catalogs all hearings, Library publications, and committee prints, about 4,000 titles a year.

Agnes Ferruso, head of the Government Publications Section of the Serial and Government Publications Division, discussed state and local government documents. Although the Library started a project to acquire state documents for the *Monthly Checklist of State Publications* as early as 1910, coverage is still not complete. Some states have legislation which provides for deposit of their publications in the Library of Congress; other state publications are acquired by copyright and others are requested. Less than half of the state material is retained and cataloged; at the end of a year it is surveyed and that heavily used is cataloged, while other selected material is saved in the Serial Division for five years.

A much smaller sampling of local government publications is obtained by the Library of Congress, those of 14 selected cities and nine counties. There was some general discussion among the state librarians of their role as custodians of the state and local publications.

Mr. Finzi returned to talk about local history and ethnic materials. In this area in particular, he pointed out the need for cooperation and coordination in which the audience readily agreed to join. Mr. Finzi announced that his office had in preparation a questionnaire for circulation to state libraries, historical societies, and university libraries that would reveal the collection patterns of such material in the various states. The session ended with enthusiastic expressions of willingness to cooperate; as one state librarian put it, "You keep asking us if we're willing to cooperate. We are. Let's do it."

The day's activities concluded with a tour for assembly participants of the Library's new James Madison Memorial Building.

Session III
Organization of Materials

The morning session of April 17 began with introductory remarks and an overview of the meeting by moderator Joseph H. Howard, Assistant Librarian for Processing Services. Topics presented were cooperative cataloging, the closing of the card catalog, and the adoption of AACR 2.

Cooperative Cataloging

Suzanne Liggett, coordinator of the Library's Cooperative Cataloging Projects, began the session with a historical sketch of activities involving cooperation with outside institutions. The Library of Congress is currently providing an intensive training program in name authority work which began about three years ago when the Government Printing Office started establishing headings for Federal documents. This project laid the groundwork for other similar programs. The goal of the project has been to obtain the cooperation of other agencies in creating a name authority file in machine-readable form.

Early in 1979, the Texas State Library engaged in a cooperative project with the Library of Congress in establishing headings for Texas state government agencies, and this was later expanded to include all headings for Texas corporate bodies. Currently, the University of Texas at Austin, the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Northwestern University, and the Minnesota State Historical Society are also participating in the Library's cooperative name authority project.

Two senior Library catalogers process headings from the project. The Library provides three weeks of training to a representative from the participating institution. The training, on a one-to-one basis, includes an intensive introduction to the Library's rules for establishing headings. With the adoption of AACR 2, the liaison person will be given new training. The method of data transmission is determined by the cooperating agency. Texas and Minnesota transmit their data via a telecopier.

When the Library of Congress receives the heading from the reporting agency, a cataloger searches to see if the Library has already established the name. If the heading needs to be established, a worksheet is filled out designed for keyboarding into an automated system. Each worksheet contains the heading, coding for AACR, and the citation of the book being cataloged at the time. Conflicts of headings are usually resolved by notification via the telephone. When approved, the data is keyboarded in the MARC Editorial Division and is made available on MARC tapes.

Participating groups may purchase the products of the automated name authority file in the form of tapes ($7,500 a year), microfiche (*Name Authorities: Cumulative Microform Edition*, $95 a year), or printed authority cards. Any other states interested in engaging in the name authority project should address correspondence to either Lucia Rather, Director for Cataloging, or Joseph H. Howard, Assistant Librarian for Processing Services, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540. Because of budgetary and space constraints, only a limited number of agencies can be accommodated.

William D. Gooch, assistant state librarian of Texas, reviewed his library's experience in the name authority project. After a trial period of six months, the project was evaluated and was extended for another year. Mr. Gooch was positive about the agreement with the Library of Congress and also described some of the effects of developing a working relationship with a large organization.

Closing the Catalog/AACR 2

In the second presentation, Lucia Rather reported on the plans to freeze the Library's catalogs, the adoption of AACR 2, and the implementation of name authority records based on AACR 2.

Not long after the Library established its first public card catalogs in the early 1900s, proposals began to surface to cut off or close and publish these catalogs. In 1975 a decision was made to close the catalog because of its increased size, the deterioriating condition of the cards, and the planned completion of the automated system to handle the new catalog. The closing was to coincide with the adoption of AACR 2.

As of January 2, 1981, the old catalog will be closed. The new catalog will be a machine-readable bibliographic file of all post-1980 cataloging and all pre-1981 records in existing MARC files.

With the adoption of AACR 2, the name authority headings in the old MARC records must be updated to conform to AACR 2. Linking references will be provided from the old heading to the new heading. By January 2, 1981, there will be on file 500,000 name authority headings with 300,000 in the AACR 2 format.

Pictured during a break in the proceedings are William G. Asp of Minnesota and the president of COSLA (Chief Officers of State Library Agencies), Clifford E. Lange of New Mexico, and Patricia E. Klinck of Vermont.

To prepare for the adoption of AACR 2, the Library of Congress, in an agreement with ALA, will be conducting 13 workshops on AACR 2 throughout the country (see the LC *Information Bulletin* for April 11, p. 125).

Session IV
Preservation

John C. Broderick, Assistant Librarian for Research Services, moderated the session on preservation midday Thursday, and introduced George Farr of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), who presented a brief overview on NEH's National Newspaper Program.

Mr. Broderick also spoke of the Library's work in the NEH program to develop bibliographic controls, standards for archival microfilming, and a national newspaper center. The Library and NEH share a concern for a cataloging manual and the automated cataloging of newspapers. Mr. Broderick added that the Library could offer cataloging workshops to aid the various states interested in newspaper projects. He also talked about the Library's role in newspaper microfilming and the writing and publishing of specifications for a national standard for microfilming.

Mr. Broderick turned the agenda over to Donald F. Wisdom, acting chief, Preservation Office, who added that it was the Library's responsibility to continue the preservation of original newspapers and make available bibliographies of newspapers on microfilm. Mr. Wisdom also stated that the Library

should continue to be a national information center on standards and should publish guidelines for the state libraries and others who need to keep abreast of developments in the field.

Preservation Office Overview and Tour

Norman Shaffer, chief, Photoduplication Service, told the gathering that the greatest preservation problem confronting the Library was the deterioration of paper and that the Library had been committed since 1965 to developing research programs. The Preservation Office, he continued, is responsible for caring for the Library's treasures and advising the Library community on preservation techniques through consultation and publication. Contributions of the Library include scientific approaches to problem solving, research and testing, and development of the craft of restoration/preservation—identifying problems, discovering methods to arrest the present deterioration such as deacidification and rehousing of materials. The morning's activities concluded with a tour of the Library's preservation facilities.

Session V
Public and Congressional Services

Topics discussed during the afternoon meeting on Thursday, April 17, included interlibrary cooperative techniques, a Library of Congress and Oregon State Library correspondence experiment, National Referral Center, and new approaches to improved document location and delivery services. Session V moderator Elizabeth Stroup, director for general reference, began the session by noting that all libraries seem preoccupied with automation, but that their real purpose is to serve human beings.

Cooperative Techniques That Work

Kathryn J. Gesterfield, director, Illinois State Library, and Herschel V. Anderson, state librarian of South Dakota, opened the session with a discussion of useful interlibrary cooperative techniques. Mr. Anderson emphasized the importance of having policies stated in law. This formal statement is vital, he said, in order to assure for the state library the role of coordinator of interlibrary cooperation. He emphasized the need to be specific in formulating the law, adding that definitions are important. One measure of the successful cooperation in South Dakota is that the union catalog is now on-line.

Mrs. Gesterfield discussed the Illinois State Library Act, Chapter 128, in which responsibility was given to the state library to coordinate networks among libraries in order to share resources. The library now wants to go beyond just sharing resources and provide consultant services, education workshops, and staffing programs. In a study begun last fall by the Texas Women's College, it was recommended that the law apply to not only representatives of the Illinois Library Association but also school and special libraries. An open letter was sent to all members of the Illinois Library Association asking their opinion of proposed changes.

The Honorable John Brademas of the U.S. House of Representatives addressed state librarians at a dinner in the Great Hall on Thursday, April 17. Mr. Brademas is pictured here with The Librarian (left) and fellow Indianian Charles Ray Ewick, director of the Indiana State Library (center).

In the discussion which followed, Carol Nemeyer, Associate Librarian for National Programs, asked for information about the staff exchange program. Mrs. Gesterfield said the program was designed to provide professional librarians to local libraries on a shared basis in areas such as services to deaf or setting up children's programs. Mr. Anderson said South Dakota's exchange staff program is supported by the 18 members of the Western Council of State Libraries. Exchange of staff is made for educational purposes. When one library has expertise in an area, other libraries within the council can benefit. Expenses are paid by the council.

Cooperative Reference and Loan Services

Ellen Hahn, chief, General Reading Rooms Division, reported on an experimental project now being conducted between the Library of Congress and Oregon State Library. Since February, reference

correspondence received at the Library from Oregon has been forwarded to the Oregon State Library. The main objective of the program is to be more responsive to the user by providing better sources and a more complete response. Mrs. Hahn felt the program has proved to have several benefits—the first being the speed of response. The letter may be answered the same day when direct phone contact is made with Oregon. Benefits to Oregon State Library include greater visibility and reinforcement of awareness of local agencies. The Library of Congress is in turn assured that the quality of service is improved for the user. While Mrs. Hahn feels there is plenty of room for modification in the program, the main objective remains to be more responsive to the user.

John Feulner, head of the Referral Services Section, Library of Congress Science and Technology Division, described the organization, history, function, services, and publications of the National Referral Center (NRC) and how it can assist state libraries and their patrons. The National Referral Center can be called "the yellow pages of information," in which the inquirer is told where to go and who to contact in order to get the answer. Established in 1962 by the National Science Foundation, the center now has listings for 13,000 organizations on file. A group of specialists in the center compiles data obtained from questionnaires. When a request is made for information, a computer printout is provided and in most cases includes name, address, and phone number. Anyone can use the NRC, and there is no charge for the service, which takes approximately five days. Mr. Feulner mentioned a new publication, *Directory of Federally Supported Information Analysis Centers* (see the LC *Information Bulletin* for April 4, p. 120). He concluded with a plea for new sources from libraries in order to improve the services of NRC.

The final speaker, Connie Carter, head of the Reference Section in the Science and Technology Division, talked about *Tracer Bullets*, short bibliographies available from the division. The bibliographies are not meant to be comprehensive but do put the reader on target, explained Miss Carter. There are approximately 104 tracer bullets ranging in topics from energy and medicine and health to gardening and earth and atmospheric sciences.

The moderator concluded the Thursday afternoon meeting with a talk on new approaches to improved document location and delivery services. Increasing demands for interlibrary loan have made it important to understand what the user really needs. Many loan requests may in fact be answered by the reference section. New technology promises greater flexibility and responsiveness. Under consideration is an experiment with telefacsimile transmission.

Legislative, Copyright, and Congressional Services

The continuation of Session V on Friday morning, April 18, took place on the fifth floor of the Madison Building, in an area which Processing Services will eventually occupy, and won the distinction of being the first public meeting to be held in the new building.

At the first meeting of an outside group to be held in the new James Madison Memorial Building, Carol A. Nemeyer addressed the closing session of the Fifth Assembly of State Librarians on Friday morning, April 18. Seated next to Mrs. Nemeyer are Library staff members who served on the Fifth Assembly Planning Group—(left to right) Ellen Zabel Hahn, Nathan Einhorn, and Robert Zich.

Carleton W. Kenyon, Law Librarian, began the session with a discussion of the many different services his department provides both to the Congress and to the public and emphasized the ongoing relationship among the Law Library, state libraries, and state governments. He concluded his talk with a short description of Law Library publications that would be of most interest to state libraries.

Associate Register of Copyright for Special Programs Waldo Moore gave a capsule history of the copyright revision law, with particular emphasis on fair use and library reproduction provisions. Members of the audience were particularly interested in the hearings which are now being held around the country to determine how well the provision allowing for limited copying by libraries is achieving the necessary balance between protecting the rights of the creator and serving the needs of the user.

Gilbert Gude, Director of the Congressional Research Service (CRS), and Cathy Jones, head of the Congressional Reference Division (CRD), gave a thorough description of the services and activities of CRS. Mr. Gude concentrated on the work of the

research divisions and the seminar and outreach programs, while Mrs. Jones described the reference centers and some of the means employed by CRD to handle huge volumes of requests as efficiently as possible. Mr. Gude advised the state librarians how to obtain CRS reports in the public domain, and Mrs. Jones offered her services on a consultative basis insofar as possible.

National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

Russell Davis, Utah state librarian, led the discussion of the services provided by the Library of Congress National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS/BPH), emphasizing that the program works best in a library atmosphere. Mary Jack Wintle, assistant director of NLS/BPH, mentioned the division's current program of raising community awareness of services by means of public service announcements in certain target areas and summarized the initial findings of the NLS non-user survey. Preliminary results seem to indicate that between one and two percent of the total U.S. population is blind or physically handicapped and eligible to avail themselves of the programs of NLS/BPH. Assistant Chief for Network Development Mary Berghaus Levering noted her office's desire to be as helpful to the states as possible and noted that this can best be done by helping the states make the most efficient use of their scarce resources by means of videotape training programs, recommendations on optional manual circulation systems, and advice on space utilization.

Finally Assistant Chief for Materials Development Henry B. Paris told of some of the new machines that his unit is working on, and NLS Director Kurt Cylke discussed the just-released American Library Association standards for service to the blind and physically handicapped and answered general questions of the activities of his division.

Special Collections and Services

Director for Special Collections Alan Fern opened the final session on Friday with a description of the uniqueness or rarity of many of the 50 million items in the custody of the six divisions he oversees, materials which often can only be found at the Library of Congress, such as the architectural records of the Historical American Building Survey. He continued by explaining that the Library's collections were accessible to the nation, including valuable manuscripts important to the history of every state. Mr. Fern also noted that the Library and the states should continue to cooperate on exhibits, as was the case with the recent "Posada's Mexico."

John Wolter, chief of the Geography and Map Division, spoke next on MARC Map, the cartobibliographic data base of current receipts consisting of 63,000 records representing approximately 250,000 maps. Cooperation with state libraries and facilities was emphasized in several areas—the sharing of information, workshops on reference and bibliographic work and MARC Map, and state assistance in collecting such materials and road maps and city maps.

Ray Dockstader, deputy director of the American Folklife Center, encouraged members of the audience to aid in the development of state centers to study and preserve folkways indigenous to their localities and to foster field programs, publications, exhibits, concerts, and festivals that will demonstrate the heritage, mores, and traditions of each city, county, and state.

Additional discussion of folklife projects came from Joe Hickerson of the Archive of Folk Song, which he described as a national and international repository of songs from every state and samples from all over the world, in addition to manuscripts (largely from the Works Progress Administration), wax cylinder recordings, and an audio version of the earliest field trip in 1890. A current project is to convert to tape all the Archive's records. Mr. Hickerson also encouraged state librarians to assist in the establishment of regional centers for the preservation of local folklore.

John Cole, executive director of the Center for the Book, described the center's public programs and symposia to promote interest in the printed word and the reading of books. Reaching out beyond the halls of the Library, the center has cooperated in programs with the Book Industry Study Group to survey reading habits and with CBS Television in the "Read More About It" Project. Mr. Cole also asked how the center can better serve those at the state level.

Carol Nemeyer, Associate Librarian for National Programs, closed the program with the observation that she would like to see the Assembly of State Librarians become an annual event. She observed "that the impetus of what was accomplished here must not be lost" and offered the idea that a liaison person should maintain the communication of ideas between participants and the Library. Through the Educational Liaison Office, she said, formal links could be established with state library agencies.

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